Cured hake 2.50 Cured haddock 3.50 to 4 Heavy salted pollock 2.37 1-2 English cured pollock

Mackerel.

Shore 1s.	\$19 to \$2	20 per bbl
Shore extra 1s		per bbl
Shore bloaters		per bbl.
Nova Scotias	18	per bb!
Prince Edward Island	18	per bb!
Norway bloaters Norway 1s Norway 2s	39 29,50 26	per bbl. per bbl.
Irish	18	per bbl.

INTERESTING HERRING NEWS.

Western Star Gives Late Reliable News.

Herring at Middle Arm But No Frost.

The Bay of Islands. N. F., Western Star of Wednesday has the following reliable and interesting herring news at that place:

During the week there was a great scarcity of herring in North Arm and nearly all, if not quite all, the fishermen took up their gear and left for their homes. The vessels, with a few exceptions, moved ground to Middle Arm, where the fish were to be had in great abundance. On Christmas day the herring again struck in at North Arm, and the few boats there had good fishing. At Middle Arm the scene is one of great activity. There is a large fleet of vessels there, herring are plentiful and quite a hundred men are fishing.

The one desideratum necessary both for vessels awaiting cargoes and the fishermen is frost, and there has [not] been any frost to speak of during the week. The scaffolds which fringe the beaches are all covered with large, clean, bright herring, but comparatively few barrels' have have been sufficiently well frozen to load in the holds of the vessels. With the exception of two American vessels, equipped with artificial freezing apparatus and three vessels owned by the Messrs. Penney, there has been but one of the American fleet as yet loaded with frozen herring. The barge J. K. Manning, at North Arm, has about 1200 bbls. frozen herring on board; these wil be shipped during the present week for the Canadian market.

The season so far has not been profitable for outsiders. Messrs. Whiteley and others of the East coast have barely cleared expenses while Messrs. McFatridge, Cashin, Renour and others of Bay St. George have not done anything like as well as they did last year.

The refrigerator barge J. K. Manning, operating in North Arm, will be towed to Woods Island harbor by the steamer Harlaw on her next trip to the coast. The barge will remain at Woods Island harbor till next

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SCH. BELLE J. NEAL WRECKED

Went Ashore Off Point Allerton Sunday Morning.

Rescued After Terrib'e Struggle in Storm.

After hours of the severest and most heroic struggles that life saving crews have had along this coast in many years to save wrecked seamen, the captain and crew, seven in all, of the Boston fishing sch. Belle J. Neal, which went ashore on Point Allerton Bar, off Hull, early yesternay morning, were rescued in life saving boats long after every man of them had given up hopes of reaching land. The Neal was on the way to Boston from Newfoundland with 280,000 pounds of salt cod.

The Neal fitted out at this port last May and has not been home since. The craft was in command of Capt. Frank Carter, with the following crew: Joseph Ruth, George Anderson, Samuel Dick, Robert Gillis, John Howard and Aaron Blake.

The schooner was owned by J. E. Lincoln of 170 State street, Boston, and was valued at \$3000. There was no insurance on the schooner or its cargo.

At high tide the schooner floated under the government sea wall at Point Allerton. She lies on her port side with her masts extending above the top of the sea wall and there are huge holes stove through her sides. It is believed she will be a total loss. She is high and dry now and even high tide will not float her.

It is believed the cargo of salt cod, valued at \$15,000, can be saved, and an at empt will be made to remove it today.

The Neal was built in Essex In 1885 and measures 118.11 tons gross and 112.21 tons net.

DAILY TIMES FISH BUSEAU.

Today s Market.

Board of trade prices: Large handline Georges cod, \$4.50 per cwt. medium do., \$3.75; arge trawl Georges, \$4.25; medium do., \$3.50; handline cod from deck, caught east of Cape Sable, \$4.25; medium do., \$3.50; large trawl bank cod, \$3.75; medium do., \$3.37 1-2; large dory handline cod, \$4.; medium do., \$3.62 1-2.

Board of Trade splitting prices on fresh fish -All cod caught on Le Have Bank and to the westward, large \$2.25; medium, \$1.70; all cod caught to the eastward of Le Have Bank arge, \$2.25; medium, \$1.70; snapper co 1 fish, 40 ets.; cusk, \$1.60; snapper cusk, 40 ets

haddock, \$1.00; hake, \$1.10.; pollock, 60 cts. Outside sale of dory handline cod \$4.40 for large and \$3.90 for medium.

Outlide sales Georges cod \$4.75 and \$3.75 per cwt. for large and medium.

Bank halibut, 13 cts. per lb. for white and 10 cts. for gray. Newfoundland salt herring, \$3.50 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 20,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 500 pollock, 9000 cusk.

Seh. Indiana, 6000 haddock, 5000 cod, 1300 hake, 1000 cusk, 500 pollock.

Sch. Electric Flash, 15,000 haddock, 4400 cod, 300 hake.

Sch. Ella M. Doughty, 16,000 haddock, 4500

cod, 300 hake. Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 5000 haddock, 600

cod, 500 hake, 200 cusk. Sch. "Alice M Guthrie, 40,000 haddock, 9000 cod.

Haddock, \$3.60 to \$5; large cod, \$4 to \$4.50; market cod, \$3.50 to \$4; pollock, \$2.25 to \$2.50; hake, \$2.50; cusk, \$1.60 to \$1.75.

Herring Notes.

Capt. Heberle of the tog Priscilla reports 2000 barrels of herring in the traps at Boothbay harbor.

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BIG SHORTAGE.

Nova Scotia's Cod Catch Much Below 1902.

The Halifax Herald says: "An average catch of the Nova Scolia summer fleet on the banks is 190,000 quintals. During the past season the catch was only 85,000 quintals. a decline of 105,000 quintals. The spring catch a decime of 105,000 quintals. The spring catch averages 50,000 quintals, and this was a bout maintained. A total Nova Scotia catch, spring and summer, should average 240,000 quintals. The drop of 105,000 in the summer catch brings the total down from 240,000 to 135,000 quintals." This information was given to The Herald by A. E. Jones, in the course of a conversation recently.

The high prices are a good thirty in one

The high prices are a good thing in one sense but in another they are ar. evil. The curtailment of demand, in consequence of the increase, is so great that people give up the use of fish; and this season has seen the loss of markets that would have been retained a an average price.

A shortage next season, such as we have had in the past, would, in the opinion of Mr. Jones, be a very serious matter for Nova Scotia—its fishermen and fish exporting merchants -on account not only of the loss to the fleet, but because of the loss of toreign markets that must follow.

DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

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Sch. Electric Flash, via Boston.

Sch. Evelyn L. Smlth, via Boston. Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, via Boston.

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Boston.

Sch. Quonnopowitt, 10,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 3000 pollock

Haddock and large cod, \$4.50; market cod, \$3.50; pollock, \$2.50.

Veseels Sailed.

Seh. Metamora, haddocking.

Sch. Arcadia, haddocking.

Sch. Rienzi, haddocking.

Sch. James R. Clark, haddocking. Sch. Flavilla, haddocking.

Sch. Thomas W. Knight, haddocking.

Sch. Mary P. Mosquita, haddocking. Sch. Monarch, haddocking.

Sch. Dorothy, haddocking.

Portland.

The only arrival at Portland on Sunday was fishing sch. Stranger with 35,000 pounds of fish.

Sch. Margaret was at Portland on Satur-